

# Echoes of the Past

## Aleutian World War II Presentations

During World War II, many people in the Aleutian Islands experienced great hardships and made personal sacrifices. This series of presentations reflects a diversity of events and experiences, of civilians and military alike: from the Attuans taken to Japan for the duration of the war and the Unangan residents who were evacuated from their villages and never returned; to the soldiers whose suffering and endurance comes to life through their memories and photographs; and from a look through Dashiell Hammett's eyes as he sought to boost morale on the remote Adak base; to the legacy of the Japanese guns, ghostly relics from the Kiska battlefield.

❖ **Presentations will be at the Anchorage Museum auditorium at 7:00pm**

❖ **January 13<sup>th</sup>**

***Aleutian WWII Veterans Stories through Photographs***

Janis Kozlowski, Program Manager\*, and Janet Clemens, Historian  
(National Park Service –Alaska Regional Office)

❖ **January 20<sup>th</sup>** – Cook Inlet Historical Society program

***Silent Sentinels: the Japanese World War II Guns on Kiska***

Professor Dirk Spennemann (Charles Sturt University, Australia)

❖ **January 27<sup>th</sup>**

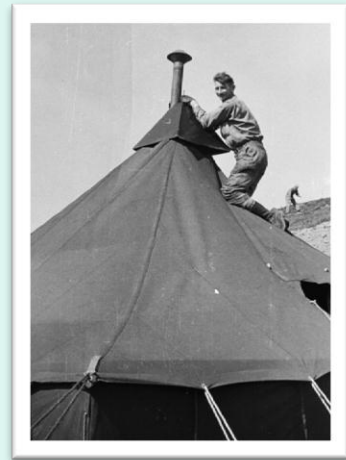
***Remembering and Revisiting the Lost Villages of the Aleutians***

Dr. Rachel Mason, Cultural Anthropologist (National Park Service)

❖ **February 3<sup>rd</sup>**

***Dashiell Hammett in the Aleutians in World War II***

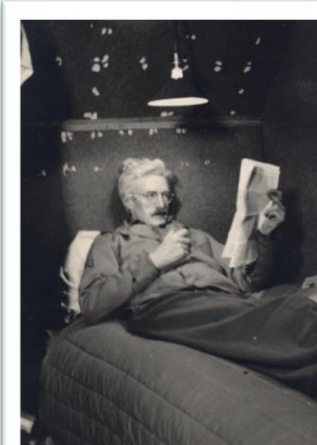
Peter Porco, journalist and playwright (Anchorage)



Soldier on Kiska. Photographed by Sam Maloof. NPS photo, courtesy Beverly Maloof.



75mm Type 88 AA gun, Kiska 2009  
Photo by Dirk Spennemann



Dashiell Hammett on Adak, 1944  
NPS photo, courtesy Frank Carnes



Landing at Kashaga 2010. Photographed by Lauren Adams. NPS photo.

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